

At the foot of Weston Mountain

The Blue Mountain Dispatch

Courtesy of the Weston Area Development Association

Building Conditions Survey Needed for Downtown Historic Buildings

The next step for Weston Area Development Association (WADA) is to have an *Architectural Survey and Analysis* completed on each historic building within the Historic Weston Commercial District. This is an important document to have for future grant applications.

While it is not currently required on all grant applications, we understand that when one funder is requesting it, it is no doubt a signal that other funders will begin asking for this, especially when the grant requests are large amounts.



WADA had the assistance of Shannon Sardell, Historic Architect from Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, with the recent 2025-2027 Oregon Main Street Revitalization grant application. We needed a couple of buildings reviewed for the grant. Ms. Sardell was willing to come to Weston to help us and ended up walking through downtown taking notes and photographs.

She proposed such a report that will include the onsite architectural survey and analysis of 13 historic buildings located within the Weston Historic District in Weston. These surveys will include visual and pictorial inspection of the building.

The architect will follow up with a report discussing each building, propose historic preservation projects and rank them from critical to high then medium and low priority. The report often discusses volunteer projects and ongoing maintenance that can help the building envelope perform better.

The onsite survey work is estimated to take 3 full days. The estimate is based on 13 resources spending approximately 2 hours of onsite
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2025-2027 Oregon Main Street Revitalization Application Submitted

WADA submitted their application for the 2025-2027 grant on behalf of four buildings.

The group originally had planned to submit only three buildings but at the last minute an issue was discovered with one of the buildings downtown that needed attention sooner, than later.

If the grant is fully funded it will cover restoration and repair of the Long Branch Café & Saloon (Saling & Reese), City Hall (Farmers Bank), Central Station (Polly's Antiques), and the Reynaud Building.

The grant was submitted for projects amounting to \$377,000. Each property owner must cover 30% match for their projects.

Awards are announced around June 1, 2025 with final reports due February 1, 2028. WADA has two years to complete the projects.

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**Celebrating 150 Years
Saling & Reese Building
Weston, Oregon
Long Branch Café
and Saloon**

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per building. This would include time to walk through, photograph and take notes or measurements of important features or concerns.

The follow up report for each building is proposed to take 10 hours. The final product of work would include a list of recommendations and suggestions for future preservation work in the Weston Historic District.



This project will include all of the historic buildings in downtown Weston. WADA will be asking each property owner for permission to have their building surveyed. The final report will be shared with each owner so that they have a report for their records.

This project is vitally important for future grant applications. It will support requests for funding based on need. It will show the condition of the building along with photographs to prove our request for funds. By having this study done at one time, it will save money over having to have someone come in specifically to conduct the study on each building.



Case in point: WADA has contracted with Crow/Clay Architects to do a similar report update for the Isham Saling House. The cost is \$6,129.00. That is just an update of the report. To start a survey from scratch would cost more. We have the grant funds and donations to cover this project.

Future grant proposals for projects that WADA will be

applying for grants will require a copy of the building analysis. It will make our work much easier knowing ahead of time what the condition of the building is so that we can properly document the need for the funds. The report will assist engineers and architects if they are needed for the project.

We hope to cover the costs with grant funds and donations so that the property owners will not have to help pay for the project. The total cost for 13 buildings is \$28,588.78

For more information, please contact WADA at WADA97886@gmail.com or 541-626-7229.

Seeking Weston Area Historic Preservation Advocates!

Weston Area Development Association (WADA) was organized as a nonprofit to encourage restoration and revitalization in downtown Weston and the general area that results in economic development and a positive sense of community. We have a vision to preserve and enhance the historic charm and uniqueness of the history of Weston.



The Weston Area Development Association (WADA) will work cooperatively with local, state, and federal government resources as well as other organizations and individuals. We hope that you will join us in this endeavor.

Interested persons should be at least eighteen years of age, live in Weston preferably but not required. Have experience in one or more of these areas: Weston and/or Oregon history, historic preservation, public education, media and public relations experience, financial or organizational management of nonprofit organizations, administrative experience, and parliamentary procedures/legal expertise.

The WADA Board looks for members who are willing to commit time and energy to our Mission and Vision and who exhibit sensitivity in making constructive critical judgments.

Board of Director positions are 3-year terms beginning in the corporate year of January to December. The Board meets monthly. Members are expected to study orientation materials in advance of the meetings.

Now that we are the Stewards of the Isham Saling House, we need more board members or volunteers.

If you are interested in joining us please request our board application form by email at WADA97886@gmail.com. If you prefer to call, you can reach us at 541-626-7229. Please leave a message and we will get back to you!

Check us out at: <https://WestonOregon.com>

Recent Oregon Properties listed on the National Register of Historic Places

Juniper House in Portland, Multnomah County, listed in February 2025. Originally constructed as a single-family residence in 1902, Juniper House co-founders John Trevitts, Doug Foland, and Jan Weyeneth converted the



building into Oregon's first HIV/AIDS end-of-life care home in 1987. From May 1987 to September 1989, Juniper House filled a critical void in Oregon's healthcare system during a period marked by widespread stigma and systemic discrimination of people with HIV/AIDS. The care facility offered medical care as well as emotional support and a sense of peace, community, and normalcy for residents. Advocacy and education were also integral components of the mission of Juniper House; during its operation, press and local news outlets were invited to the house, leading to newspaper articles and documentary features on KGW-TV and Oregon Public Broadcasting that reached broad audiences in the late 1980s. Juniper House's influence was crucial in shaping public opinion and responses to HIV/AIDS in Oregon, and it inspired the establishment of several similar end-of-life care facilities around the state in the late 1980s and after. [View the nomination.](#)

Burkes-Belluschi House in Portland, Multnomah County, listed in February 2025. Situated on a hillside in northwest Portland's Westover Terrace subdivision,



the Burkes-Belluschi House was designed by Pietro Belluschi for Dr. D. C. Burkes and his wife Genevieve in 1944; due to World War II

shortages, construction was not completed until 1948. In designing the house Belluschi worked closely with the Burkes, who admired modernist architecture and the International Style in particular. As one of the leaders in developing the Northwest Regional

Style, Belluschi was sensitive to the house's siting as well as its materials. The result was a house with expansive city views, deep eaves, woven wood ceilings, and stone fireplaces. This is Belluschi's only residential design in western Oregon to display elements of both the International and Northwest Regional styles of architecture. After retiring as dean of M.I.T.'s School of Architecture and Planning in 1965, Pietro Belluschi and his wife Marjorie purchased the house from Genevieve Burkes and made it their last personal residence. [View the nomination.](#)

Dr. Edward and Anne McLean House in West Linn, Clackamas County, listed in January 2025. Located on the southern bank of the Willamette River in West Linn's Bolton Neighborhood, the McLean House was designed and constructed by the Henderson-Bankus Company for Dr. Edward and Anne McLean



in 1927. The house exhibits a modified or eclectic Colonial Revival style with its symmetrical side-gabled form, original multilight wood windows, entry portico, and English Cottage-style rolled-edge roof. While notable for its architectural merit, the McLean House is also significant for its association with the Physicians' Association of Clackamas County (PACC), a very early Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) using the prepaid medical care foundation model. Dr. Edward McLean, working from his home office, collaborated with Dr. William O. Steele, and Dr. John ("Jack") G. P. Cleland to develop the organization between 1932 and 1938, in the depths of the Great Depression. Their mission was to provide health care coverage that was high quality, affordable, and designed to fit the needs of area residents—many of them millworkers and their families. The PACC was unique for its time, and it has since proved to be a national model for improving health care delivery. [View the nomination.](#)

Lee-Janouch House in Medford, Jackson County, listed in January 2025. The Lee-Janouch House is significant as an excellent—and unusual—example

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Weston Area Development Association

WADA was organized as a nonprofit to assist in obtaining grants, appropriations, donations, and other types of funding to work on historic preservation, economic development, and more in the Weston area — not just downtown.

Weston needs funding to restore the downtown buildings as well as develop economic opportunities for the community. WADA will work cooperatively with local, state, and federal government resources.

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of the National Park Service Rustic or Cascadian style in a private residential



application. The house was constructed in 1934 by Isaac “Ike” Davidson, the building superintendent of Crater Lake National Park, for Medford residents Dr. Robert and Dema Lee. Davidson sourced stone for the house’s distinctive masonry façade and engaged National Park Service personnel, techniques, and equipment in its construction. He later pled guilty to misuse of federal funding and served as the primary witness in a related case against his supervisor; both men were terminated from the Park Service and served prison time as a result. As a result of its connection with Crater Lake National Park, the materials and design of the Lee-Janouch House echo the Rustic or Cascadian style associated with the Park Service. The building features battered stone walls con-

structed of located sourced masonry, redwood board-and-batten siding in the gable ends, and simple interior finishes. [View the nomination.](#)

The National Register is maintained by the National Park Service under the authority of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966. Properties listed in the National Register are:

- Recognized as significant to the nation, state, or community;
- Considered in the planning of federal or federally-assisted projects;
- Eligible for federal tax benefits;
- Qualify for historic preservation grants when funds are available;
- Eligible for leniency in meeting certain building code requirements; Subject to local laws pertaining to the conservation and protection of historic resources.

State law in Oregon requires local governments to offer a minimal level of protection for properties listed in the National Register of Historic Places; the decisions about how to accomplish that goal reside with local governments, which also have the authority to create and regulate local historic districts and landmarks.



Your Umatilla County Board of Commissioners!
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of the Year
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**Educator of the year
Craig Taylor**

WADA is Sponsoring a Photo Contest!

WADA is looking for photographs from around the community. From the city limits to way up on the mountain. Buildings, events, scenic, sports, etc. We need them for marketing, grants, merch, and a possible calendar that we would produce.

Photographs need to be high resolution. Horizontal view is best but Vertical can also work. If you have people in the photograph and they are recognizable, we need their signed permission to use their photo.



Photos submitted by Christie Frison-Thomton

You will own the copyright and will be given credit for the photo. You give us permission to use them to carry out our mission.

Send photos to WADA97886@gmail.com with Photographs in the subject line. Be sure your contact information is in the email, permission if a person is in the photo, and identify the photo

location and/or subject.

Questions? Send an email to or call 541-626-7229.



Weston Food Pantry Needs You!

The Weston Food Pantry is open to the public on the first Tuesday of the month from 5-7 p.m. and the third Saturday of the month from 10-noon. We serve about 100 families each month.

Our food comes to us once a month from the Oregon Food Bank distributed through CAPECO in Pendleton. We use donated funds to supplement what we get from CAPECO.

We buy eggs, cheese, milk and butter each month with a cost of about \$1500/month.

Donations are always welcome. The money is used to keep the shelves stocked so that our patrons can have the food that they need.

Checks can be made to Weston Food Pantry and mailed to P.O. Box 173, Weston, OR 97886.

We are thankful for our donors and those who are food insecure are served by us and your donations. Thank you for considering helping the food pantry continue to feed people in need in our community.

If you have any questions you may send an email to westonoregonfoodpantry@gmail.com or call Preston Winn, Manager at 541-969-2225.



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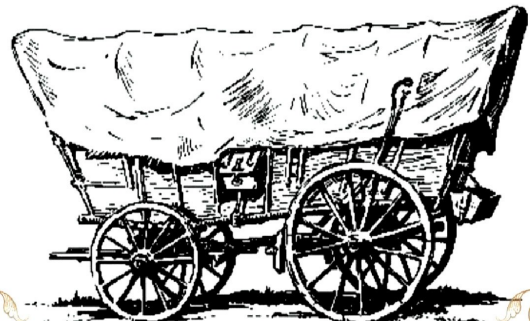
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**Weston Commercial Historic District
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E. Main Street between Water and
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Historic Significance: Architecture/
Engineering, Event
Architectural Style: Italianate
Area of Significance: Architecture, Commerce,
Industry, Agriculture
Period of Significance: 1925-1949, 1900-1924,
1875-1899
Owner: Local , Private
Historic Function: Commerce/Trade, Educa-
tion, Industry/Processing/Extraction, Social
Historic Sub-function: Clubhouse, College,
Manufacturing Facility
Current Function: Commerce/Trade, Domestic,
Government, Recreation and Culture
Current Sub-function: Business, Museum

The Weston Commercial Historic District is one of
only two Historic Districts in Umatilla County.

<https://historicwestonoregon.com>

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Celebrating Historic Preservation Month

The annual Historic Preservation Month will be cele-
brated in Weston during the entire month of May.

There will be a new video on an historic property, a
new scavenger hunt that will include other parts of the
community, and an open house at the Isham Saling
House.

Students in the 8th grade will be offered a tour of his-
toric downtown by local Historian Sheldon Delph. We
have prizes for the scavenger hunt, too!

Watch our Facebook page for more details!

*Support
Historic
Preservation
in Weston!*

Regret goes only one way. The preservation
of historic buildings is a one-way street. There
is no chance to renovate or to save a historic
site once it's gone. And we can never be
certain what will be valued in the future.
This reality brings to light the importance
of locating and saving buildings of historic
significance—because once a piece of
history is destroyed, it is lost forever.

*From "Six Practical Reasons to
Save Old Buildings" by Julia Rocchi
<https://tinyurl.com/42ezucr>*

Easter Celebrations in Weston

The Ladies' Guild held its annual election of officers on Easter Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. R. Proudfit. The incumbent officers were retained, as follows:



Mrs. L.S. Wood, president; Mrs. L.I. O'Harra, vice president; Mrs. A. James, secretary; Mrs. E.M. Warren, treasurer. In addition to the membership Mrs. J.F. Snider and Mrs. R.L. Reynaud were present as guests. The hostess was assisted in serving an excel-

lent and bountiful luncheon by Mrs. C.H. Smith and Mrs. Frank Graham. The next meeting will be held the first Thursday afternoon in May at the home of Mrs. E.M. Warren.

The Weston Leader, Friday, April 13, 1917

Weston Schools

The Easter time decorations of Miss Tipton's room consider of a Dutch frieze around the blackboard, besides many wild lilies.

The Weston Leader, Friday April 11, 1919

The children in Mrs. Kirkpatrick's room are already preparing their Easter decorations.



Miss Tipton's room is planning Humpty Dumpty decorations for Easter.

The Weston Leader Friday, April 18, 1919

An Easter entertainment will be given by the United Brethren Sunday school at the church at 8 p.m. A beautiful program entitled "The Dawn of a Wonderful Day," will be rendered by the children. A general invitation is extended to the public to be present.

The Weston Leader Friday, April 18, 1919

Miss Wilma Harbour, who is preparing for the teacher's profession at the Cheney Normal, is at her home in Weston for the Easter vacation.

The Weston Leader Friday March 25, 1921

The following Easter program will be given Sunday morning at 10 o'clock at the Methodist church: Instrumental solo; song, Christ Arose; prayer, pastor; Scripture lesson, Amegos and Builders; remarks, superintendent; son, Plus Ultra; recitation, Lawrence Barnett; song, Florence and Mildred Ross; recitation, John Powell and Eldred Price; recitation, Katherine Nelson; song, Rock the Cradle - Jewels and Buds of Promise; recitation, Theordore Walden; song, Bible class ; and Easter gathering.

The Weston Leader Friday April 18, 1919

The Women's Missionary society of the M.E. Church held its regular monthly business meeting at the church parlors Wednesday afternoon. It was decided to hold an Easter bazaar and cooked food sale the Saturday preceding Easter, March 26. Aprons and fancy gift articles will be offered for sale.



The Weston Leader Friday, Feb. 11, 1921

Club Has Delightful Afternoon

Mrs. E.M. Smith extended delightful hospitality when she entered the Saturday Afternoon club at her home, April 3. Flowers appropriate to the Easter season decked the rooms, lending an attractive note to the scene. Roll call was answered by quotations on Spring. At the close of the business session program numbers were given as follows:

Vocal solo - Mrs. E.M. Smith.
Lakes of Killarney - Mrs. L. Van Winkle





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Cork – Mrs. F.D. Watts
River Shannon – Mrs. W.S. Price

An Easer motif was developed in the refreshments served by Mesdames N.P. Bennet and H. Goodwin. Covers were laid at an attractively appointed table, centered with a stately Easter lily, for twelve members and two guests – Mrs. A.G. Fish of Parma, Idaho, and Mrs. Mary C. McNee.

The April 17th meeting of the organization will be held at the home of Mrs. S.A. Barnes, and a full attendance is desired, as the annual election of officers is scheduled for that date.



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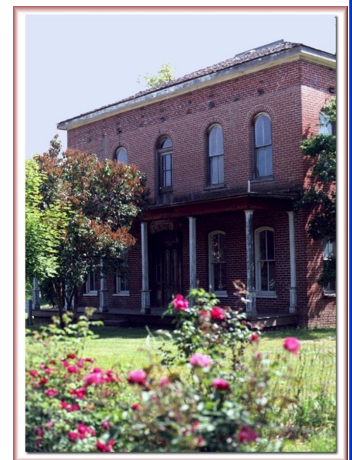
Think Preservation.



Please Support the Isham Saling House Restoration!

Your support is greatly needed to begin raising funds to complete the Isham Saling House Restoration. The Weston Area Development Association is the new owner of the historic property and is actively seeking donations for the house.

All donations will go to the Isham Saling House Restoration Project.



<https://ishamsalinghouse.com> Donations can be made online, at <https://tinyurl.com/2eyvyrhh>

Make checks payable to the Weston Area Development Association and send to:
Weston Area Development Association
PO Box 256
Weston, Oregon 97886
Weston97886@gmail.com
<https://westonoregon.com>



2025 Weston Calendar

Weston History Exhibit Opens at the Long Branch Cafe—Come view the exhibit's

photos and related historical research. Sponsored by WADA. Hours are the restaurant's open hours.

April 20—Easter Sunday

May 1-31—Historic Preservation Month—Scavenger Hunt with prizes, and more! Check back for details.

June 7—Umatilla County Pioneer Association Picnic!

June 7—Isham Saling House Open House.



Support WADA with your donation at
<https://westonoregon.com>
List your meetings and events here!
Deadline is 25th each month.



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WADA uses Zeffy .com for its donation platform.

It is a safe site and allows WADA to be good stewards of funds donated by our supporters. We chose Zeffy.com because we receive **100%** of the donated funds. We are not charged a percentage of the donated funds.



While it is suggested that donors cover the fee, it is not required. That is pretty amazing considering PayPal, GoFundMe, and others charge around 3% or more of the total donation. It is a safe site. For more information on Zeffy.com here is our link: <https://tinyurl.com/bdfjwrr8>

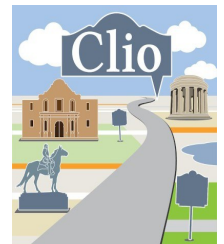
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Business card size ads for your business, event, or just to wish someone a Happy Birthday or Happy Anniversary. \$25 per month. Send your business card or we can design the ad for you. Deadline is the 25th of the month to appear in the next month's newsletter.

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The Weston Walking Tour
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www.WestonOregon.com

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or on our website.



Local Links

Weston-McEwen High School: <http://wmhs.athwest.k12.or.us>

Athena-Weston School District: <http://www.athwest.k12.or.us>

Weston Middle School: <http://wms.athwest.k12.or.us/>

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Weston Planning Commission: <https://tinyurl.com/ypz5fdn6>

Weston Community Development: <https://tinyurl.com/ypz5fdn6>

Weston Historic Landmarks Commission: <https://tinyurl.com/ypz5fdn6>

Weston Parks and Recreation Commission: <https://tinyurl.com/ypz5fdn6>

Umatilla County Pioneer Association: <https://umatillacounty.pioneerassociation.com/>

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Northwest Digital Heritage Reaches One Million Digital Records

People around Oregon and the world now have free access to search over one million digitized photographs, letters, documents, and more from around the Pacific Northwest. These historic and cultural materials are available in Northwest Digital Heritage, a website that searches the collections of over 300 regional libraries, museums, and cultural heritage organizations.

Northwest Digital Heritage is an online search portal that gathers records from the online collections of libraries, museums, universities, historical societies, and other organizations in Oregon, Washington and Idaho. The site was created in 2021 through a partnership between the Oregon Heritage Commission, State Library of Oregon, and Washington State Library.

Items available through Northwest Digital Heritage span topics, from [football](#) and [women's suffrage](#) to [Tribal treaties](#), [Black history and culture](#), [Crater Lake](#), and much more. The content has proven valuable to educators and students doing classroom projects, genealogists researching family connections, scholarly researchers, historians, cultural heritage organizations making exhibits, and other lifelong learners.

The over one million materials include over 60,000 photos from Oregon State Archives' [Oregon Scenic Images Collection](#), 20,000 items from the [Oregon Historical Society Research Library](#), 5,000 records from the [Harney County Library](#), 13,000 images from the [Salem Public Library](#), and nearly 2,000 materials from the [Five Oaks Museum](#) in Washington County.

The collections in Northwest Digital Heritage are also included in the [Digital Public Library of America](#) (DPLA), which helps bring this unique and local Northwest content to a national audience. More than 5,000 institutions throughout the nation have contributed over 50 million records to the DPLA to date.

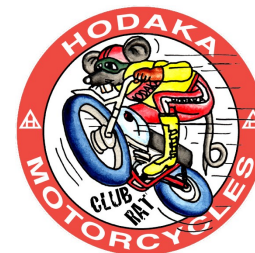
“Being able to search one million records for primary sources documenting the human experience in the Pacific Northwest is an incredible opportunity for those interested in history,” says Katie Henry, Oregon Heritage Commission Coordinator. “The three Northwest Digital Heritage partners know these are only a fraction of cultural materials held by hundreds of organizations across Oregon, Washington, and Idaho. We look forward to working with existing and new partners to continue growing this

incredible resource.”

In addition to helping make this resource available, the Oregon Heritage Commission, State Library of Oregon, and Washington State Library assist heritage organizations across the Pacific Northwest. Such assistance includes:

- Training, resources, information, and guidance on digitizing and making collections accessible online;
 - Grants and funding opportunities; and
- Hosting organizations' online collections.

Northwest Digital Heritage is made possible in part by the Institute of Museum and Library Services through the Library Services and Technology Act, administered by the State Library of Oregon and Washington State Library. To learn more visit <https://www.northwestdigitalheritage.org>.



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Blue Mountain (Kees) Cemetery

www.BlueMountainCemetery.com

Information on Burials including photos of headstones, some obituaries, and other related historical information can be found on this website. There is also a map on the website. The original website was a labor of love by Bob Gilliland. It was a miracle that it could be recovered from an archive website with only a few items not recoverable as the domain had expired. **New digital map is online!**



<https://IshamSalingHouse.com>



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WADA is a 501(c)(3) not for profit organization. All donations are tax deductible to the extent of the law. We recommend that you consult your CPA or Tax Attorney regarding donations. Tax ID: 88-0783069

Spring Tips to Keep Your Home Comfortable

Spring is in the air, and with it comes changing temperatures across the Pacific Northwest. Whether



you're basking in sunny afternoons or bracing for brisk mornings, staying comfortable at home doesn't have to mean higher energy bills.

Energy Trust of Oregon has you

covered with simple, effective tips to boost your home's energy efficiency — so you can enjoy the season while keeping costs in check.

Check vents and filters. Regular maintenance on forced-air furnaces and ductless heating systems will extend the lifespan of your equipment. Be sure to check filters every month to ensure proper airflow. For ductless pumps, clean the filter on the indoor fan-coil unit monthly to guarantee maximum efficiency. If you have a ducted [HVAC system](#), replacement filters are recommended every one to six months depending on use.

- **Keep your equipment free of clutter.** While inspecting filters, check that furniture or other obstructions aren't blocking your equipment. To increase airflow, maintain a two-foot clearance area around any openings. Outdoor systems can be managed by removing any encroaching plants on your heat pump or air conditioner.

- **Insulate hot water pipes.** Uninsulated hot water pipes often make your water heater work harder than necessary to maintain the set water temperature. Insulating your hot water pipes reduces heat loss, giving your water heater a break and allowing you to save money on utility costs.

Replace old light bulbs with energy-efficient LEDs. LED bulbs are energy-efficient, saving money and energy. The average U.S. household has around 50 light bulbs, so that undertaking might sound difficult, but a good place to start is by replacing your five most-used bulbs with [ENERGY STAR® LEDs](#).

- **Take advantage of the sunshine.** Opening curtains and blinds to let in natural light will help your home feel warmer during those cool spring days. To keep your house fresh and comfortable, clean your windows of dust, dirt and grime.

Be smart with your heating. It may seem obvious, but turning the heat down is an easy-to-overlook

step that can have a significant impact on energy costs. Setting back the thermostat in empty units or unused rooms is a great place to start, but a more efficient option is to install [smart thermostats](#).

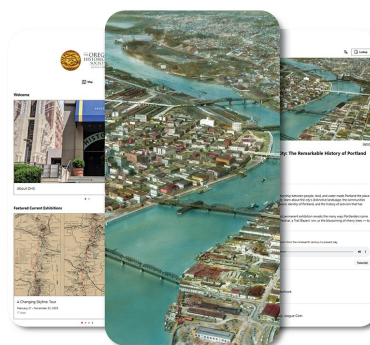
For more energy-saving tips <https://tinyurl.com/42rvs9fe> and incentive information, contact Energy Trust info@energytrust.org at 1.866.368.7878.

2024 Oregon Main Street Annual Report now available at www.oregonmainstreet.org

The report highlights the collective impact of communities participating in the OMS Network in 2024, including over \$24 million in private sector investment, 168 net new businesses, 1,652 net new jobs, and over 293 building rehab projects. In addition, volunteers contributed almost 34,000 of hours to make their communities better places to live, work, shop, and experience. The report also includes community spotlights on cool projects and activities happening on Main Street in Oregon!

Oregon Historical Society Launches Free Digital Guide

Explore the Oregon Historical Society with its free digital guide available through Bloomberg Connects, the arts and culture app and mobile site that offers access to over 750 museums and cultural institutions worldwide!



Go behind the scenes with exclusive multimedia perspectives from curators and historians and connect to OHS collections and digital history resources. Audio tours and translations are also available for some exhibitions.

Link to guide: <https://tinyurl.com/3fxtanth>

Oregon's Official Website to Commemorate America's 250th

The America 250 Oregon Commission is excited to announce the launch of Oregon's official U.S. Semiquincentennial website, oregon250.org. In this digital space, the public can browse a community events calendar, explore online exhibitions, and access resources for getting involved in this nationwide commemoration. The site also includes links to all nine of Oregon's federally recognized tribes. The America 250 Oregon Commission was created by Senate Bill 1531, signed into law on March 27, 2024, by Governor Tina Kotek. Chaired by the Oregon Historical Society's executive director, Kerry Tymchuk, the 27-member commission has been tasked to coordinate and provide guidance for Oregon's official observance of the United States Semiquincentennial. To date, the commission has met three times and has developed its mission and guideposts.

The mission of the America 250 Oregon Commission is "to coordinate, provide guidance, and ensure that Oregon's official observance of the 250th anniversary of the founding of the United States is inclusive and shares the histories of Oregon's diverse populations, including the histories of the Indigenous peoples who have resided here since time immemorial."

The commission's official guideposts are:

- To inspire Oregonians to participate in the work of forming a more perfect union.
- To highlight the importance of civics and history education in building a better future.
- To highlight the work of Oregon's many history and heritage organizations.
- To celebrate the unique traditions, arts, and cultures of communities throughout Oregon.
- To honor the service and sacrifice made by Oregon's veterans.

While guidelines for community event submissions are currently in development, the America 250 Oregon Commission encourages the public to explore two online exhibitions created in honor of the U.S. Semiquincentennial.

If you or your organization is interested in getting involved with the America 250 Oregon commemoration, please contact oregon.250@ohs.org or sign up for the official America 250 Oregon email list.

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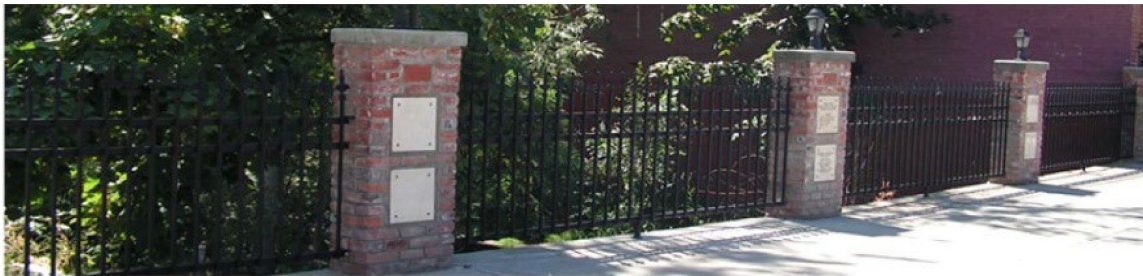
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